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**TESTIMONIAL  
RESOLUTIONS  
AND SPECIAL  
PRIVILEGE**

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*June 28, 2019*  
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# Testimonial Resolution

## John Treanor

Retired, City of Detroit, 1987 -2019

### WHEREAS:

**John Treanor** was born on May 2, 1957 to Irish immigrant parents, John and Kathleen Treanor in Detroit, Michigan. He grew up on the west side of Detroit near Joy and Evergreen as the second of seven kids. In 1978, he married Cathy, and later that year, he graduated from Schoolcraft College. They settled in the Detroit neighborhood of Warrendale, and lived there until 1995, when the family moved to Dearborn. He and Cathy have four children: Bianca, Keith, Carla and John, and five grandchildren: Lukas, Nolan, Rory, Alex and Mia; *and*

### WHEREAS:

In 1987, **John** began working for the City of Detroit Department of Buildings and Safety as a housing inspector, and eventually moved on to be a Dangerous Building Inspector. Over the years, **John** developed great enthusiasm for the rebirth of Detroit. Despite the negative reputation of some of Detroit's neighborhoods, **John** never had much fear heading into them. **John** built relationships with those living and doing business in his assigned neighborhoods. He cared very much about removing blight, with the hope of helping businesses and families thrive in the city; *and*

### WHEREAS:

**John** has always been proud of his Detroit roots, with many fond memories growing up in his Detroit neighborhood and raising his children in Warrendale. Even though John and Cathy no longer live in Detroit, they still spend quite a bit of their free time here supporting business and events in the city; *and*

### WHEREAS:

**John** worked hard to support his family, he also spent quality time with them on family vacations, making sure they had memorable trips. John is always up for an adventure. He enjoys scuba diving, camping, racquetball, bike riding and gardening. He is known to spontaneously drop by to pick up his grandchild for a bike ride, or to check on their plants in the garden. He loves to take his grandchildren on outdoor adventures; *and*

### WHEREAS:

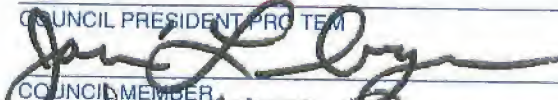
**John Treanor** retired from the City of Detroit in the Spring of 2019. He will certainly be spending more time with his treasured grandchildren and they can't wait to spend extra time with their "Poppy". While he has many things to look forward to in retirement, it is no doubt bittersweet for him to say goodbye to his co-workers and his daily route through the neighborhoods of Detroit that has been a part of his life for the last 32 years. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

### RESOLVED:

Council Member Raquel Castañeda-López and her colleagues on the Detroit City Council congratulates **John Treanor** as he closes the door on **thirty-two years** of dedicated service to the citizens of Detroit and begins phase two of a life we are sure to be full of adventure and purpose. Thank you **John Treanor** for your **thirty-two years** of dedication, community engagement and service to the city of Detroit.

  
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June 29, 2019  
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# Testimonial Resolution

## Mrs. Susan K. Alexander

*"Executive /Artistic Director of Higher Praise Dance Academy"*

- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander has been married to Ronald Alexander for eleven years and to this union was born one daughter, Sandria Rush, two stepchildren, Alex, and Ryan Alexander and one Grandson, Brandon Rush, II. She worked for the City of Detroit, retiring in 2006. She attended Jubilee City Church in Westland, MI; **AND**
- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander received her BBA in Business Administration from Davenport University, attended Marygrove College in Detroit, MI, where she received ten years of Professional Dance training, she also received Biblical "Layman Training" from Word of Faith Christian Center in Southfield, MI and was Certified as a Dance Minister through the Eagles International Training Institute; **AND**
- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander is the Author of the Book "How to Develop a Powerful Dance Ministry" and an instructor of the course "How to Develop a Powerful Dance Ministry" and author of the Charm School Manual called "I am a Beautiful Girl" and an instructor of the Charm School course for young girls; **AND**
- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander, has conducted monthly Youth Workshops for teenage boys and girls. Mrs. Alexander has been the church dance instructor of Praise, along with her daughter Sandria as Co-Director, for all ages since 1997, and has facilitated and organized annual Dance Recitals and Workshops since 1998; **AND**
- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander, is the recipient of the Religious Medal of Honor Award through Destiny Christian and the Life Changers Christian Arts Award. She has Co-Chaired the National Liturgical Dance Network in Detroit and served as Director of Higher Praise Worship Ministries Board of Directors.
- WHEREAS:** Mrs. Susan K. Alexander has been the Executive/Artistic Director of Higher Praise Dance Academy for twenty-five years; **NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE**
- RESOLVED:** That Council Member Roy McCalister Jr., and the entire Detroit City Council honors Mrs. Susan K. Alexander with this Testimonial Resolution.



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June 30, 2019

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## Testimonial Resolution

**Mr. Damion Jackson**

**WHEREAS:** **Mr. Damion Jackson** a former graduate of Detroit Mackenzie High School has reinvested in continuing the rich legacy of Mackenzie High School and the City of Detroit as the most creative Detroit Public School Alumni Association President to date, AND

**WHEREAS:** **Mr. Damion Jackson** attended Lane College and Marygrove College (where he earned a Master's Degree in Reading & Literacy) after earning a Bachelor's Degree in English at Lane College. From designing and running educational programming focused on Detroit area youth, serving as a long term substitute educator for the Detroit Public Schools, a College Entrance Exam expert, a tutor creating an effective family guide for educational career planning, helping families to developed strategic plans for attaining admissions to a two or four-year college or university or post-secondary trade school, to displaying unique entrepreneurship skills that youth can model.

**WHEREAS:** Whatever, **Mr. Damion Jackson** does it's done with flair and a high level of integrity and excellence, AND

**WHEREAS:** As a Mackenzie High School Alumni Association President, **Mr. Damion Jackson** has revolutionized the position and role where his gifts are used to mobilize not only former Mackenzie High School students but a broad perspective of former Detroit Public School student-athletes and educators; **NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE**

**RESOLVED:** That **Council Member Roy McCalister Jr.**, and the entire Detroit City Council join together in Honoring Mr. Damion Jackson with this Testimonial Resolution. Thank you for your passion and dedication to helping the Students of the City Detroit.

*Mary Sheffield*  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM

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